

THANKSGIVING DAY

Tucumcari Observed the Day With Praises, Song and Rejoicing.

Thanksgiving Day was observed fittingly in Tucumcari with praises, song and rejoicing. The day was one of those beautiful Indian summer days, almost like the hazy days of Indian Summer that so many of us remember "back home," and we only lacked the iridescent splendor of the leafy mantles of the hills.

Thanksgiving Day means something this year to those sturdy sons of toil who are so rapidly building a great State to be, cut out here in the edge of the Rockies, and especially to Tucumcari and to Quay county. Our newly broken sod has yielded up a plentiful crop this year. Our new land is giving a promise which will be fulfilled in thousands of happy little homes out here in this Land of Sunshine.

The Thanksgiving service was held at the Baptist Church, all of the churches of the city joining in. The Prayer of Thanks-giving was offered by Rev. Du-Bose of the Presbyterian Church, and the sermon was by Rev. Wilson of the South Methodist Church. The music was beautiful, being rendered by the united choirs of all the churches of the city, and especially is the number given by the quartette, Messrs Coulter, W. A. Gamble, L. P. Gamble and G.

A. Gamble, worthy of compliment. Rev. Wilson preached a very able sermon, from which the following is quoted:

"Man's chief gratitude is for the exalted place that God has given him in lifting him to the highest plane of usefulness and service. God's wisdom enters into man's life for his advancement and for the development of all of his faculties, enabling him to taste of the infinite privileges and to enter into the full enjoyment, and reap the rewards of faithfulness and service. As the God Man for the joy set before him Him endured the cross, so should we find our chief joy in helping others and brightening the lives of those who are in the darkness of sorrow and affliction. As the sun lights the soul, so the Sun of Righteousness shines into our lives, giving us light and strength, and enabling us to have fellowship one with another. If the brightest jewel has been taken from the home, if the pall of sorrow hangs around our fireside, our faith should be a light to dispel the darkness, and enable us to see that though the experience may be as the bud that is bitter, yet the flower will bring joy and sweetness."

The church was crowded at the hour of service, and one and all united in an hour of heartfelt thanksgiving. The service was very impressive and imposing, and one not to be soon forgotten.

Mrs. Josephine Ward of Parker, South Dakota, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. F. X. Addleman.



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